WEATHER—Light snow tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature.

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First Soldier Dead to Arrive

Daring Thief Caught in Act

BUSINESS PEOPLE MAY MOVE FOR MUTUAL PROTECTION

First of War Dead Due Here Next Week

The first body of the American war dead, who made the supreme sacrifice in France, to arrive in Monessen, is expected here early next week, as Mr. and Mrs. William Herron received a telegram from the War Office yesterday notifying them that the body of the r son, Alexander R. Herron, would probably arrive in port Saturday and that they would await instructions for shipments for burial. The local post of the American Legion was also notified of the arrival of the body and Post Commander William Huston, has called a special meeting of the Legion in the Olympic hall for tomorrow night at which time steps will be taken to arrange for a military funeral for the young man.

Alexander Herron, filled with the true American spirit, answered the call of his country in April, 1918, when he was accepted in a hospital unit after having made two unsuccessful attempts to join other branches of the service. Despite his age he was a husky lad and was among the first selected to make the trip across the waters as a member of Base Hospital Unit, No. 202. He saw active service in the front line trenches and was finally sent back to his unit, where he was badly injured in an explosion at the hospital, the full particulars of which the parents were unable to secure.

While a patient in the hospital he became a victim of pneumonia and his death occurred on August 21 1918. The parents were notified of his death by the War Department and the Chaplain of his outfit wrote a consoling letter to the parents in which he spoke highly of the merits of the young lad, both on the front and at the hospital.

A military funeral was held over the remains of the young soldier, and the body interred in the little American cemetery at Orleans where with many other soldiers, who had passed to the Great Beyond, it remained until a month ago, when the Graves Registration Bureau removed the coffins and prepared them for return to this country.

James "Pat" Herron, a brotner of Alexander Herron, who was serving in the aviation corps in France, on being notified of his brother's death, visited his grave and brought home photographs of the resting place.

Funeral arrangements will be announced just as soon as the parents are informed that the body has been shipped from New York. Burial will be made in the family plot at Grandview cemetery.

Dad's Day

Will Elect Officers and Plan Banquet

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade will be held this Friday evening in the Library room of the High school building. The meeting promises to be one that is live and full of interest for everyone. Aside from routine business and reports of committees there will be the usual discussion of town subjects, which will add interest to the meeting. The membership of the organization now totals the magnificent sum of 441. This is the highest number ever recorded since the Board was founded, twelve years ago. Forty new members were admitted during the month of November. While the entire membership is not active in service, yet the moral support is forthcoming and as in all other organizations, the activities rest with the few.

The nominating committee will make recommendations for officers for the ensuing year and action will be taken on the report and the new officers will take their places at the December meeting. The executive committee will make a report on the arrangements for the annual banquet which will be held in January. One of the best speaking programs ever announced to the public of Monessen will be the feature. And this announcement will mean something in the face of the talent that has appeared here. Wires are already in several directions that will bring the best talent in the nation.

Owing to the large membership, it is likely that dues will have to be paid in full to entitle the member to banquet privileges as the seating capacity is so limited that it may not be sufficient to accommodate all who desire to attend. The dinner will be served in the customary manner, by one of the local church societies.

Among the committees expected to report will be the nominating committee, executive and merchants. The latter committee will likely have devised some means to provide further protection for their places of business during the holiday season. The recent daylight robberies has been a subject much discussed and the committee may ask for the cooperation of the board in executing a mutual plan that will have for its purposes special protection for the business interests.

Those who have not paid their accounts in full over to the educational committee are urged to make immediate settlements and all persons still in arrears for 1920 dues should see the secretary at once.

Coal Supervision

By A. L. BRADFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, Dec. 16—Supervision of the coal industry by the federal trade commission probably will be provided in a bill now being drawn by Senator Calder, Republican, of New York, according to plans announced today.

The proposed bill is the result of Calder's report to the Senate that coal profiteering is a "national disgrace," partly responsible for the serious housing shortage and is retaring reconstruction generally.

Calder's bill would call for creation of a separate bureau of the federal trade commission with which coal operators, wholesalers, jobbers, and retailers would be compelled to file regular reports on the total tonnage produced and handled, prices, costs and profits.

The commission has tried to get such reports under its present powers but has failed to get adequate information

Seven bills are now being drafted by Senator Calder to carry out the recommendations of his reconstruction report. These include the measure on coal, and the others are on the following subjects:

1—Transportation, to prevent "export" orders by the interstate commerce commission, because, Calder said priority orders have retarded building and invited profiteering.

2—To abolish the cost plus construction systems.

3—To revise taxes to grant limited exemption to real estate mortgages which would encourage investment in home and building.

4—Broadening of the home loan bank bill

5—Creation of a housing bureau as a clearing house for knowledge on construction work.

6—Revision of the postal savings system to consolidate all federal thrift activities under the postal savings branch of the postoffice department.

Fatal Concotion

William Briner, aged about 50 years, died suddenly at Bentleyville last night at about 7:30 o'clock. He came into the town in an intoxicated condition and at the corner of Main street and the Pittsburgh road, fell to the ground writhing in agony. Medical aid was at once summoned but the man expired in about half an hour.

In his pocket was found a half pint of liquor of the "prohibition" variety and an examination showed it contained a large percentage of wood alcohol. Briner was a laborer and lived with his wife on the Pittsburgh road, near Bentleyville.

Award Girls to Father

At the conclusion of a habeas corpus hearing presided over by Judge Charles D. Copeland yesterday morning, the court made an order that Mrs. Della Singer Henry, of Irwin, the divorced wife of Rinker D. Henry of Adamsburg, may have the custody and the companionship of her two little daughters, Vera aged nearly six years and Leona, aged 26 months every Sunday from 12 o'clock, until evening, when the mother must return them to the custody of Mr. Henry or the persons whom he designates shall keep his little daughters

Mrs. Henry, through her attorneys Sowash and Allshouse, instituted court proceedings to secure the children. Rinker D. Henry, through his attorney, Philip K. Shaner, strongly opposed the proposition that Mrs. Henry have permanent possession of the children or of either of them. The hearing brought a large number of Adamsburg people into court.

Mr. Henry testified that he is earning $5.20 a day at a coal works. Mrs. Henry, a very pretty brunette, testified she is earning $5 daily working in a store, and that her sister, Mrs. Kifer, was very willing to keep her youngest child at her home in Irwin. It was testified that Mr. Henry cares well for his children and the little girls clung closely to their father in the court room, giving little attention to their mother.

The couple was divorced at the August term of court and the testimony taken by the master in that case was very spicy. In the hearing before the court this morning attorneys read freely from the testimony to corroborate facts.

To Increase Rates

The Belle Vernon Water company has filed a new tariff of rates with the Public Service Commission governing the furnishing of water in portions of Westmoreland and Fayette Counties, Pa. The new tariff becomes effective on January 1, 1921, and makes a slight increase in existing rates.

The new rates are of the nature of an increase to all classes of consumers and the rates are charged from the old style of a minimum in terms of four thousand gallons of water per quarter to the "Service Charge" and "Consumption Charge" style.

Also, the public fire protection rates are changed from the "per hydrant" basis to a fixed charge on the hydrant plus a fixed amount for pipe four inches in diameter and larger.

All we N. Y. has to offer West Indies wanted a meal. He went to a restaurant and then ordered a car. He was charged both ways

NEGRO MAKES HIS ESCAPE AFTER BEING CAUGHT WITH CLOTHING IN HIS POSSESSION

The band of negroes which has terrorized this community during the past several weeks, continued their successful raids on local merchants yesterday afternoon when one of their number entered the clothing store of M. Rubenstein on Schoonmaker avenue near Third street and was about to depart with a quantity of stolen clothing when the theft was discovered by Mrs. Rubenstein who compelled the man to give up his loot.

Mr. Rubenstein had just left the store when the thief, a colored man, entered and asked for a cheap shirt. Mrs. Rubenstein, fearing that all was not well, kept an eye on the man and noticed him picking up six pairs of trousers, which he slipped under his coat. She accused him of the theft and as other customers had entered the store, he warned her not to make an outcry and he would restore the goods.

Just at this moment the proprietor entered and the thief quietly dropped the stolen trousers and left the store. Mrs. Rubenstein feared to tell her husband of the theft in the presence of the man, believing that he would shoot Mr. Rubenstein if he attempted to detain the colored man. After he left the store, the woman told her husband of the attempted robbery and he gave chase but could not apprehend the thief.

Late last night a man was noticed trying to gain entrance into the home of Morse Ney, at the corner of Knox avenue and Oneida street. Mr. Ney, on discovering the miscreant, hurried to the telephone and notified the police but the thief, evidently overheard the message for he made his escape. Tracks in the snow, about the home and on the porch, were quite evidence that the man was making an attempt to gain entrance into the house.

The overalls worn by the thief who attacked S. Weiss, last week and was trapped in the building only to make his escape after an officer was on the scene, were found in the rear of the A. R. Ney residence. The thief, after eluding the officer, had evidently discarded his overalls and walked down the street. The overalls were new and still bore the purchase ticket with the name of the firm having been torn away.

Yesterday afternoon police were busily engaged stopping all suspicious colored characters on the streets, searching them for concealed weapons, but no arrests were reported. No trace has been secured of the two men who attacked Mrs. Sam Moushaly yesterday morning and escaped with $4,000 worth of jewelry which the woman wore. Mrs. Moushaly is still suffering from the bruises caused by the tightened hands of one of the men about her neck. She just recently arrived in this country from her native land, to join her husband and the necklace, which she wore and which the negroes took from her, was an heirloom, valued at $2,500. Detectives from Pittsburgh will be put on the case.

Suit for Divorce

Gertrude Wright, Kane has brought suit for divorce against her husband, Willie King, charging him with desertion and non-support. Mrs. Kane states that she was married on December 15, 1918 in Monongahela City to Willie King, and that shortly afterward her husband left her and has refused to make her a home.

Mrs. Pearl Buckrop of Grindston, has also filed suit for divorce from her cruel and barbarous treatment her husband, Oscar Bucarop, charging. She stated that on one occasion her husband threatened to shoot her. They were married September 11, 1917

NOTICE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERS AND ALL EX-SERVICE MEN

There will be a meeting Friday evening, Dec 17, at 7:30 in Olympic hall to arrange for the funeral of deceased soldiers and other matters of importance.

(Signed) William Huston, Post Com.
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Local Bowlers Win

Monessen Council of K. of C. took three straight games from McKeesport Council on the Monessen alleys Monessen Council is bowling in McKeesport on Friday evening. The players are requested to take the 6:02 train for that city, and all those who care to accompany the team to the Tube City are invited to take this train. Monessen Council is certainly proud of the manly spirit shown by the McKeesport players and will certainly be glad to have them with us again before the bowling season is over. The game last night with McKeesport gave a taste of interclub sport to those who have been favorites for so long.

The score follows:

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McKeesport	443	502	543

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Trooper Discharged

(By United Press)

Harrisburg, Dec. 16—Major Lynn G. Adams, superintendent of the state police announced that Private John T. Greenawalt, of Troop C of Pittsburgh barracks, has been discharged from the force because he claimed the $5,000 reward for the arrest of August Pasquale, who is serving a term for the kidnapping and murder of Baby Cornelia.

Two Men Die

(By United Press)

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16—Stanley Zak, aged 27 died today in the Rochester hospital from injuries sustained last night in a fire and explosion at the H. H. Robertson Co. plant. Daniel Dixon aged 50, also lost his life during the fire of the explosion which destroyed the paint shop of the plant. The damage estimated at $10,000 to be borne by the insurance companies.

Battleship Departs

(By United Press)

Venice Dec. 16—With great secrecy, as though embarking on a mysterious raid, five battleships slipped out of the Grand Lagoon into early morning mists today. After hours of delay, King Constantine was enroute to Greece.

American and British ships in the Lagoon were not informed either as to the hour of sailing or the route to be followed by the King's flotilla. There were no salutes from the anchored warships as Constantine's cruiser, Averoff, headed into the Adriatic.

The secret plans resulted from the great fears of Italian authorities that some harm might occur to the King before leaving Italy. The finding of several followers of former Premier Venizelos in Rome and Venice caused great apprehension. Most of the suspects were located by police and thereafter subjected to shadowing.

Constantine's joy over his triumphal return to rule in Athens displayed a royal "peeve" yesterday that would have done credit to the lowliest member of the proletariat. He was disappointed at the accomodations aboard the Averoff which was crowded. Little attempt had been made to relieve the barren fittings of the cruiser's quarters.

Constantine also took up the cudgels for newspapermen accompanying him. He learned that returning Greeks had preempted the reporters' cabins on the steamer Venezelli. The vessel was cleared quickly and the writers given their places.

Scores of royalists are returning by various routes to Athens. Many of them called at the Royal headquarters here yesterday. Prince George, eldest brother of the King, joined the party here and crown Prince George went aboard the cruiser at the Isle of Milos.

The Averoff is to proceed without a stop except at Milos. Mountainous Greek land is expected in the Piraeus harbor Sunday afternoon.

(By United Press)

Philadelphia, Dec. 16—A near riot was caused this morning when 700 unemployed stormed an employment agency that advertised for 25 men. Police reserves were called out to handle the mob.

BIG WRESTLING MATCH AT CROATIAN HALL TONIGHT

William Demetral, the Greek Demon, challenger of the Greek heavyweight champion, meets Al Mahmont, the Terrible Turk, whose cleverness, strength and endurance have gained him great fame. As to Demetral, whose long experience has caused him to wear many cloaks in the game, who also specializes on the toe-hold which he has applied (and for he knows. Mahmont is fine

Special Term of Court

To clear the common pleas of civil court lists of congestion, Judges A. D. McConnell and Charles D. Copeland this morning made an order for the calling of a special term of two weeks, beginning Monday, January 24. This special term, on the legal calendar, which was handed down this morning by President Judge A. D. McConnell for 1921, means almost continuous work until June 25.

The court made an order directing Jury Commissioners John L. Mitchell and E. L. Chambers to place the names of 2,500 men, representing every election precinct in this county, in the jury wheel for jury service during 1921. Orders for the drawing of venires for eight weeks of jury service beginning January 24 were made at the same time and the jury commissioners and Sheriff John Black will begin this work at once.

Because of the war and of the scarcity of labor and general abnormal conditions for several years, many cases on the court dockets have not been tried. But it is generally understood among attorneys and court officials that next year it will be much more difficult to secure a postponemen tof cases listed for trial than it has been during the past couple of years.

Following the two weeks of special court, beginning January 24 follows the regular February term. The first two weeks of the February term will be devoted to the trial of the criminal court list, which will likely carry 200 or more cases. Then will follow the regular term of common pleas, which with equity, argument and motion courts will run well into April. A recess of two weeks will follow and then the May term will begin. This term will run up until June 25. Many big cases are on the list for trial at the special term.

No women will serve on Westmoreland county juries in 1921. The judges have taken the position that women shall not serve on juries in this county until the legislature, which meets about one month hence, in bi-annual session in Harrisburg, passes a measure which is believed to be necessary to qualify women for jury service.

Arrest Parents

Alam Zeli's paid a fine and costs before Justice of the Peace White on Tuesday because he had not compelled his fourteen year old daughter, Mary, to attend school regularly. John Sutey also paid a fine and costs for keeping his thirteen year old daughter, Mary, out of school in defiance of the state laws. The charges were brought by the local Attendance Officer who has stated that in the future only one notice will be issued the parents before charges are presented

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An Innocent "Bootlegger"

By SAIDEE E. BALCOM

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As a professional tea taster, Tresham Dale had made a fine living. There was a penalty attached, however. As time went on that delicate sense of distinguishing and analyzing expertly the most subtle infusion began to blunt and he retired, wise man that he was, before he bungled and lost a record of which in its small, but practical way he was proud.

His fame had preceded him when he settled down in a neat little bungalow home at Amherst and proceeded to enjoy life in its fullest sense. He was a, rubicund, pleasant faced bachelor of forty then, and Miss Leona Thrall whose house was next door to his own felt less lonely to see him briskly exercise in his little garden every morning, and gather about him every week-end one or more old friends in the trade.

As time went on it seemed a pleasure to Dale to lean over the lot fence for a minute or two once or twice a day as she flitted about her flower beds, comely and neat looking in prim, dainty calico and half hiding a really attractive face under her stiffly starched sun bonnet.

"Miss Thrall has got a real beau at last," chatted gossips excitedly, when twice in a month Mr. Dale was her escort at picnics given by the local improvement and good citizens association.

Miss Thrall had found a beau five years before, but nobody knew it except herself and Alex Barnes, who had proposed, had been rejected and was her enemy thenceforward. He nursed the blow to his pride resentfully, never spoke to her, but when he learned of the growing intimacy with Mr. Dale, soliloquized vengefully.

"I'll break up that some way. She shan't go gloating over turning me down, me marshal of the town and a substantial citizen, and hooking that ten expert stranger just because he has got money."

In this Barnes wronged Miss Thrall, for she was very comfortably situated as to means. Again, she was not vain enough to believe that Dale had any particular interest in her—so far. What she hoped and what Dale thought of her was slowly developing. Barnes began a campaign to discredit Dale and aroused quite some public prejudice against him.

"Why, he has a choice jamboree with those city chaps who come down for a riotous time weekly," he declared. "They must fairly drown themselves in drink for a servant Dale discharged told me that he keeps about every liquor. There is a special room chock full of the stuff. I'm watching his consignments from the city close, for the minute I find that against the new law he is stocking up fresh, I'll nab the guilty bootlegger, you bet!"

One Saturday afternoon Miss Thrall was aroused, almost alarmed, when she saw Alex Barnes' scale the rear fence of the Dale place, break open its door and boldly enter the home.

"How dare you break into Mr. Dale's house like some thief!" cried Miss Thrall.

"Aha! very concerned for our bootlegging friend and his gang of roysterers, aren't you?" jeered Barnes.

"What right," began Miss Thrall.

"Oh that!" interrupted Barnes unceremoniously. "This document supports me," and he waved triumphantly a legal looking document. "I have been watching this criminal—for some time. I have inspected bottles, glasses, mysterious liquid mixture shipped him from the city. I have made my raid. Look at the evidences of his guilt for yourself."

Miss Thrall was awed, shocked. Neatly arranged on shelves was a great array of bottles, flasks and decanters, labels covered half a hundred different brands of drinkables.

"No wonder his friends liked to come," rallied Barnes. "Why, he's the most outrageous booze pirate I've run down yet."

So venomous were the sneers, so malignant the action of Barnes that Miss Thrall was aroused to express her sentiments. Almost hysterically she defended the alleged culprit, dilated on his charitable kindness, his uniform dignity and self respect. In the middle of her exordium Thresham Dale stepped into the room.

"Why, what is all this?" he demanded and faced Barnes wrathfully, and blandly the marshal told his story.

"You blundering nuisance," roared Dale. "I have a good mind to throw you neck and heels out through the window. Why, I never have touched a drop of liquor in my life. I couldn't have followed the especial business I did if I had. As to my friends, as soon as the county went dry I got a lot of bottles, labels and the like, put up all the temperance drinks I could get to make a variety and the camouflage and merry spirits get along just as fine on harmless palatable root beer and ginger ale as they did on the old stuff. Get out."

Which Alex Barnes proceeded to do. And then with kindly, tender eyes Dale drew nearer to Miss Thrall.

"You are a brave defender and a true friend, Miss Thrall," he said. "If I thought you would not rebuff me for saying something more to the point of what I really feel—"

"You mean—" fluttered Miss Thrall. "You are the only woman I have ever said what I am going to say to you. I——"

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Favor London For Big Bout

By HENRY FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

New Lork, Dec. 16.—When Tex Rickard mentioned Havana for the Dempsey-Carpentier fight, the wise ones laughed.

When he changed his mind and said New York, the sages agreed, "That's better."

Now that he's looking in the direction of the docks and murmuring things about London, the sentiment is "What the——?"

London, in fact, is the favorite now.

Rickard's memory, it seems, runs back to 1906, when he was "all dressed up with the Gans-Nelson fight and had no place to go."

He was shown the gates of California after he had built an arena and had to chase over into Nevada with his one-ring caravan.

With his business-like ear to the ground, Rickard has learned that lots of officials in these parts are feeling just like the governor of California did back in 1906.

The New York Boxing Commission, is against it and the American metropolis was the one place on this continent that the promoters wanted to pitch the big stadium necessary to get the required million-dollar gate."

Charles B Cochrane, the London member of the promoting firm, laughed off the premonitions of Rickard

"Why worry?" he asked. "Come over here where you know no deputy sheriff will push the referee out of the ring and take charge himself."

There are other nice things about London. One is the trivial matter of $150,000. From a business standpoint, the "gate" of that size in New York would mean $150,000 in state and federal taxes.

If Messrs Rickard and Brady could forego the necessity of living in England for three months previous to the fight, they would avoid a tax.

Dempsey and Carpentier, however, will be caught for their personal taxes, no matter where the bout is fought

Jess Willard got $100,000 for losing his championship in Toledo. Uncle Sam got $31,410 of it in taxes. Dempsey is to get $800,000 under the agreement and out of that his Uncle will put out his hand for a cut of about $125,000.

Dempsey and Carpentier are sure to get their money, however, but the promoters are not so sure of their cut.

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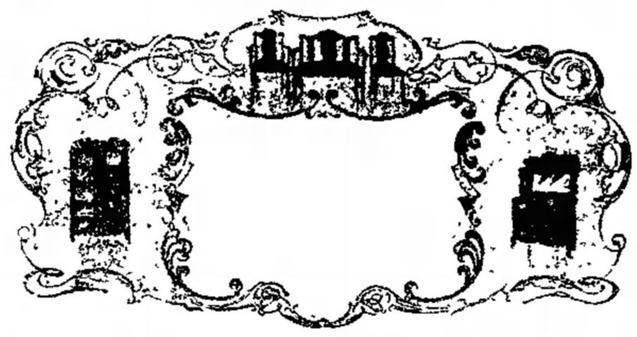

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And how they do enjoy that comfortable new easy chair, the overstuffed davenport before the fire, and the new dining room suite that makes the room a different place! There is no gainsaying the gift of Furniture, belonging as it does to the home, is appreciated and enjoyed by every member of the household, and the pleasure grows as the holiday fades gradually to but a pleasant memory.

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Christmas Toys for the Young Americans

Washington, Dec. 15—"Wrap with care if you care a rap," says the Post Office Department to everybody who is in private consultation with Santa Claus these days. This is particularly to be impressed upon those who are telling Santa Claus about toys for certain people, says the American Forestry Association for the American toy business is a big one and the shipment of these toys is a business in itself. Thirty feet of lumber is used every year in the American toy business. The question of "bucking" the foreign made article is up to the consumer and all he has to do is to demand the home made article.

When the mechanical toy is taken into consideration some idea of the immensity of the toy business may be gained, the American Forestry Association adds, when you stop to figure how any jumping jacks, for example, can be made from thirty million feet of lumber. Wood holds first place in the material for toys, because of cheapness and because the articles of metal are not suitable for the age of those for whom toys are intended.

There seems to be no end to the kinds of things that appeal to children and the fact of the matter is there are styles in toys just as there are in other things. A war will decide the run of toys for a period. All of us remember the vogue of things Russian and Japanese during the war between those countries. The World War brought to the fore again things like battleships and submarines and guns of all kinds.

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REPUBLICAN IN POLITICS

LIGHTENING THE BURDEN

The proposition to suspend, thru an agreement between the United States, England and Japan, the great naval programs which these three countries are contemplating for a period of five years will strike most people as sensible and practical. So long as the nation is burdened with a crushing debt it seems utterly indefensible to go on building great warships and adding to the burdens of the people. When the Secretary of the Navy of the United States comes to Congress with a recommendation for an appropriation of nearly $680,000,000, $246,000,000 in excess of the amount appropriated for the last fiscal year the prospect is staggering.

If the United States agrees with England and Japan to cut out this enormous expenditure for a period of five years it would seem that no advantage could be taken of this country by any other nation. England is groaning under her war burden and Japan is in the same fix, so that a suspension of naval expansion would appear to be the thing that will appeal to the world at large, surfeited with war and looking toward a return to normal conditions.

America would seem to be in no immediate danger from any other nation and under present conditions might well lead the way toward economy and the lifting of the burden which is resting so heavily upon all the people.

A GOOD SIGN

The same cables that announced the final crushing of the Bolshevik movement in France, carried an item that displays another most hopeful sign. We read that President Millerand has abolished the ancient custom of saluting all comers with a resounding smack on either cheek, in favor of the good, American practice of shaking hands.

Ever since the days when we first read of the gallant exploits of the heroic Layfayette we have admired the courage and dash of the French, and our later acquaintance with the prowess of Napoleon and the warrior-like qualities of Foch and countless thousands of Frenchmen in the recent war has not lessened that admiration. But the habit of man kissing man has been like a fly in the precious ointment of our warm warm regard for the French, as we imagine it has been to many other Americans.

We have no quarrel with impressionable doughboys, who, upon landing in France, exchanged salutes with the charming damsels of that country, but we can sympathize most heartily with that Yank who is reported to have started to beat up a French brigadier general entrusted with the duty of presenting the American with a medal for bravery, when the officer endeavored to complete the ceremony by kissing him on the cheeks. It takes a strong man to restrain his good right arm when his face is approached in that manner by a coarse and bristling soup-strainer even when it adorns the face of so distinguished a personage as a general of the army.

THE CHRISTMAS THOUGHT

There is a tendency for the popular holidays to lose their original meaning. Yet always you can find an inspiring thought there, if you look below the surface.

The Christmas gift custom has many absurdities. Too often it becomes a mere swap between people who feel no strong desire to make the offering of friendship.

And yet this gift habit is a wonderful custom. It is a very remarkable thing at this time each year, practically all the people drop for a moment the incessant hustle for their own advantage and begin thinking what they can do for some one else. The fact that they give so freely and gleefully, often to a considerable proportion of their yearly income, indicates that human nature has in it a wonderful capacity for unselfish action, if it can be developed.

So the Christmas gift custom ought not to be abolished. It would be better though, if people would give fewer presents to comfortable friends who need no such remembrances, and make many more to those who are in real need.

The persistence of this custom through 2000 years of changing habits and social and national upheavals, is one more proof of the tremendous forces set to work in the world by the advent of Jesus. Who would have thought, that day when the tiny infant was found in that humble manger, that 2000 years later all the peoples of the civilized world would have been so unconsciously influenced by the ideas He came to impart, that they would begin to imitate Him even in this small way, by by making of unselfish gifts to others?

Now if all the folks who have observed this beautiful custom can only carry out this giving habit all the year, the kind of world that Jesus came to earth to introduce would come much nearer to its realization.

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Had You Thought of a Plaid Wool Skirt Length

You know those extremely smart woolen skirts know no season. They are practically effective with fur coats; they will be swagger with sport jackets in the Spring. Skirt-lengths would make very thoughtful gifts for some of your women giftees.

HOSIERY Offers many suggestions

We have divided our fine silk hose into three groups and each group is given a popular price. Van Raalte's and Kayser's silk hose includes

$2.75 and $3.00 Silk Hose at .. $2.00
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Stunning Wool Hose of good shades, not too heavy a weave to look well at the ankles.

If you want a becoming Scarf

These woolen scarfs give a smart distinction to the costume and are very warm and soft. Some are plain while others have belts and pockets. Every favored shade and color combination is represented. Another practical gift for some one on your list.

Prices $3.25 up to $12.50

Lovely Blouses for Gifts

These blouse modes for winter will appeal to those seeking the unusual for gift-giving. Entrancing color combinations and unique trimmings add to their distinctiveness. Each blouse is attractively boxed.

Prices $3.50 to $16.50

Gloves are Appreciated

Women never have to worry

Imported French Kid Gauntlet with strap or tab at wrist.

$6.00 to $7.75

Mole and Lambskin Gauntlets at $5.00 per pair

A Dainty Handkerchief

Of fine linen is ideal for a gift for even the most discriminating friend. Here, now, are complete assortments.

All fine embroidered handkerchiefs, made by Swiss peasants. Hand loom embroidery, hand drawn hemstitch, 3 in a box for $2.00. Other Swiss made handkerchiefs 3 in a box 75c and $1.00 Box of six for $1.75.

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Tailored with exacting nicety, to the correct foundation for suit or gown, these petticoats will meet every requirement.

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A gift of someone's favorite scent, or perhaps an experiment in what someone might like will be enjoyed to the last drop.

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Extract. Ra Lo $2.00 Margo $1.50
and $2.00 Murje $1.25

Ra-Lo Combination, Satin lined $6.00
Margo Combination, Satin lined $3.00
Murje Combination, Satin lined $1.50

The above contain Toilet Water, extract and powder.

YOUR XMAS STORE
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At the thought of the holidays nearly
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Hotel Men Arrested

Arman Morazzo and Herman Pasbi, proprietors of the Hotel Monessen Liquors, were arrested Monday morning by County Detective Paul J. Feighner and members of the state police charged before Squire Roy Ball of that place, with selling liquor without license. The information has on the sum of $1,000 each for a hearing before the courts for trial.

same justice, on Monday, December 20, between the hours of 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock p. m.

For some time complaints have been coming into District Attorney N. A. Corl, relative to the illegal sale of liquor at the Monessen Hotel. Last Monday the place was raided, with the result that large quantities of liquors were discovered and confiscated by the officers.

As the case is one for the government to dispose of, the prisoners will be arraigned before the courts for trial.

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Piano Stools, Ironing Boards,

Blocks, Slates, Books, Games,

etc.

Local and Personal Items of Interest

There is no charge for items contributed to this column of the going and coming of people or social happenings. Call 53.

Dr. F. C. Duvall was a Pittsburgh visitor yesterday.

Silk underwear for gifts at A. R. Ney Co. 61-2t

Jay McGaughey of Donner avenue was a visitor in Pittsburgh today.

Open evening until Christmas. Racy's. 60-3t

C. F. Mentzer was a business and pleasure visitor in Pittsburgh yesterday.

Mrs. Samuel Anderson and Mrs. Jules Jordan of this city are Charleroi visitors today.

Ous store will be open every evening until Xmas. Racy's. 60-3t

Mrs. Ollie Marple and Miss Elizabeth Walsh of Donner avenue spent Tuesday in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. John Thornley has returned to her home in Monongahela after a short visit in this city.

The big Xmas store is ready; buy early. A. R. Ney Co. 61-2t

Charles W Gordon and Miss Susannah Highberger of West Newton, have secured a license to wed in Pittsburgh, yesterday.

20 per cent off on all suits. Buy now and have use of it. A. R. Ney Co. 61-2t

Emery C. Harbaugh and Zilley A. Flemming, both of Pricedale, were yesterday granted a marriage license in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Sheehan of 206 McKee avenue are the proud parents of a baby girl which arrived at their home yesterday at 11:30.

Coal Delivered at 25 cents bushel. A. Setting & Sons, Bell Phone 610, Monessen. 57-12p

Dr. and Mrs. Harry F. Craig have returned from a short visit at the home of Dr. Craig's parents in St. Petersburg Pa.

For the convenience of the Xmas shopper this store will remain open evenings until Xmas. Racy's. 60-3t

Miss Margaret Glaister of Pittsburgh is spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Anderson of Ninth street.

Big toy Department, second floor. A. R. Ney Co. 61-2t

Invitations will be issued in a few days for a Christmas dance to be given by the Viking club at the Elks ball room, Charleroi, on Saturday evening, December 25.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will hold a bake sale Saturday in Eddy's drug store from 1:30 to 5. Home made pastry of all kinds. 1t

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bonini, and Mr. and Mrs. Briggini of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Ida Perrotti and son Harry of Kane have returned to their home after a short visit with Mrs. Peter Bonini of this city.

A number of local young people will attend the dance at the Masonic Temple, Washington, tonight. Ted Lewis' Jazz band, which is appearing as a feature attraction with the Greenwich Follies, playing at Wheeling this week, will furnish music from 11 to 2.

To see well see Craig. I will attend to your optical needs, all of December. Call for appointments. Dr. Harry F. Craig, Optometrist at the Craig Drug store. 62-3t

The Qui Vie club of Donora has issued invitations for a holiday dance to be held Wednesday evening of next week in the Slovak hall, Donora. The Syncopa Orchestra and Novelty Entertainers will furnish the music.

Special for Friday and Saturday, to make room for our Xmas plants, we will sell nice, large ferns at $1.20 each. Open evenings until Christmas. Irwin's Flower Store, 425 Donner avenue. 62-2t

The any friends of S. Weiss, the Schoonmaker avenue jeweler, who was attacked by a negro thief, recently, will be glad to learn that he is recovering and expects to be at his place of business on Saturday.

ALL PICTURES TAKEN THIS WEEK will be delivered for Christmas. Photos taken day or night, rain or shine; open evening until 9 o'clock. Monessen Studio, Donner avenue. 60-4t

George Monaghan, aged 27, and Mrs. Lucy Seaman arrested in Pittsburgh by Detectives Edwin McCough and William Fullerton in connection with the theft of furs valued at $6,000 from a Connellsville store, were taken back to that city yesterday.

Captain and Mrs. Kohli of the Salvation Army wish to thank the kind parents and children of the Methodist church for those toys which they so willingly gave to the Salvation Army for distrubtion among the poor Litle children of this city. They also wish to thank all other friends who so willingly and kindly have assisted the Salvation Army.

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$1.00 Long Tom Guns, 75c.
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Charleroi customers of the Greensboro Gas company has received notices that on January 15 the rate for their supply of gas will be increased from 35c to 47c. Monongahela City residents were recently notified of an increase in their gas rates from 35c to 50c.

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STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens National bank of Monessen, Pa., for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held in the banking rooms of the said Citizens National Bank, on Tuesday, January 11, 1921, between the hours of 10 and 11 a. m.
4tw John S. Duvall Cashier.

(By United Press)

Cleveland, O., Dec. 16—Two women jurors have found jury service quite pleasant. When the jury was locked up over-night, the women occupied a bridal suite and this morning had breakfast in bed.

NOTICE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERS AND ALL EX-SERVICE MEN

There will be a meeting Friday evening, Dec. 17, at 7:30, in Olympic hall to arrange for the funerals of deceased soldiers, and other matters of importance
(Signed) William Huston,
62-2t Post Com.

Viola S. McCauley of Jeannette, has filed a libel in divorce against her husband, Harry E. McCauley. She states they were married June 10, 1920, and lived together until October 29, 1920, when she was forced to leave him. She says that he beat her with his fists locked her in a room for hours, deprived her of food and made her go out and seek employment in a factory in order to support herself.

Murders Wife

(By United Press)

Cainsville, N. Y., Dec. 16.—William Zell, called his three children into a bedroom and calmly informed that that their mother was dead. The woman was lying across the bed with her throat cut and her night gown and bed clothing was covered with blood. The children fled from the room screaming, and police arrived and arrested Zell, whom they charge with the murder. A bloody razor was found near the bed. Zell, it is believed, killed his wife during a fit of insanity, which he was subjected to, having just recently returned from a Rochester hospital.

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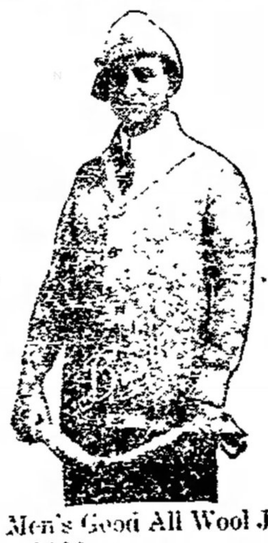

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Men's Good All Wool Jerseys $4.50, now $2.98
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ALL STYLES BOYS GLOVES
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A Way Out

By MURIEL LEE

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There was always something in the way of Drury Trescott telling Vinnie Steele that he loved her. In the first place, she was the burden bearer of a large and exacting family. When she was not ministering to her mother, who was a confirmed invalid, she was busy teaching, guiding and caring for her three little brothers and sisters. Then her elder brother Frank made a muddle of getting into business life, and Trescott was convinced that it would be a waste of time to attempt to win her away from her round of duties.

"I can wait," he patiently told himself. "It can't always be this way. The little ones will grow up and Frank will behave himself. What grieves me most is to see the joy of youth taken out of Vinnie's life."

So, as he told Vinnie once, they were good friends, and he hoped she would never shut him out from sharing in that treasured privilege. She responded to his many helpful kindnesses in behalf of herself and those she loved in a grateful, appreciative way that won his entire fidelity and devotion. Often he fancied she appreciated his love for her and secretly thanked him for holding affairs to a basis where they could continue their pleasant, mutual companionship, for she prized his counsel and sympathy.

"I don't know what has come over Frank," remarked Vinnie one day, "but he has certainly turned over a new leaf. I think it was a good thing for him leaving his old associates in Clifton and getting into an independent little business in the city which he writes us is quite profitable."

"Why, yes," replied Trescott," I was in Duluth last week and found him busy, cheerful and sanguine. He has rented a space back of a stationery store and goes about selling typewriter supplies by sample. From what he tells me he is working up a very promising trade."

"I wonder how he got this start. It must have taken some capital."

"Oh, I don't think very much," Trescott hastened to say. "You see, he buys and sells close and quick and on small margins. It's a business where the volume counts."

Trescott did not wonder as to the capital, for he himself had supplied it. He had made Frank promise faithfully that he would not divulge his share in the transaction, for Trescott knew that this would worry Vinnie. He had invested only a few hundred dollars, but it was all he had, and a few months later when Mrs. Steele died, the lack of that same little cash meant a great deal to Trescott.

In other words, Trescott had figured out that now, with her cares greatly lessened, Vinnie was in a position to marry him, if she would have him. His idea was to induce Mr. Steele to remove to a house he would select, pay the rent only, and he and Vinnie would see to the rest as to household expenses and taking care of the children.

Mr. Steele opposed this, but Trescott hoped if he could raise the money to establish the new home he could be won over. Mr. Steele had a half brother in a distant section in Canada to whom he had written. The crying need of this relative, according to his own statement, was to have help. All hands would count, even the children, about the farm, and they would be assured a living if nothing more.

"I shall have to go where father does," Vinnie told Trescott in a subdued, sighful way. "It is my duty."

Trescott said nothing, but the next day took the train for Duluth. When he reached the place where he had started Frank in business he found that the latter had sold out his supplies and had gone with a band of strolling players, leaving a number of debts behind him. Trescott assumed the responsibility for these, and when he came back to Clifton was sorrowed at having to disclose the bad news to Vinnie, and knew there was now no way to provide the new home he had counted upon.

Mr. Steele was making due preparations to leave for Canada and Trescott discerned that he was surely going to lose Vinnie. It was a distressful situation and daily he could read in her forlorn face the same gloom and disappointment that well nigh crushed him.

"Always good friends, no matter how many miles separate us," said Vinnie bravely more than once, but there was a lurking moisture in her eyes.

It was a week before the dreaded parting when Mr. Steele took Trescott aside. There was a manner about him that told Trescott he had something important to say. He was not wrong. In plain words Mr. Steele told of discovering all he had done for Frank.

"You are the truest friend I ever met, Trescott," he said. "Won't you take a way out of all your worry and that of Vinnie? Come with us."

"If there was a place for me," began Trescott in an uncertain, but longing way.

"I don't doubt that. I have written my half brother, told him all the circumstances, and you and wife will be doubly welcome."

"My wife?" repeated Trescott vacantly.

"Yes; marry Vinnie before we go. Don't you love her?"

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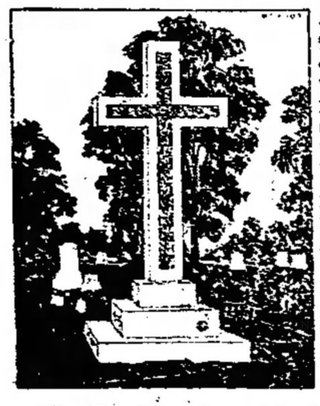

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Abolition of tolls on American shipping, to which Senator Harding committed himself during the campaign, is not viewed with favor in the Canal Zone, the argument being that it would benefit only a relatively small group of American shipping interests and would so reduce the income of the canal as to impose a much heavier taxation burden on the people of the United States.

On the other hand, advisors of Senator Harding, who accompanied him here, insist that a subsidy to American shipping is necessary and that it might as well be faced in this form as in some other. The increased taxation which might result from free passage for American ships would be considered as a subsidy paid by the American people for the development of a large merchant marine.

Problems of local administration are numerous. Canal employees are complaining of inadequate housing facilities. Husbands, in many cases, are unable to live with their wives, the families being separated in men's and women's dormitories, owing to the lack of cottages and apartments, according to employees here. There is also heard complaint against prices of food and clothing charged at the commissary here. It is alleged prices have not come down in accordance with decreases in the United States.

Blame for this alleged situation is in many quarters placed on Governor Harding. His term expires shortly and his successor will be appointed by the new administration. Officials in the zone said great confidence was felt in the ability of President-elect Harding to straighten out the situation which has been explained to him in detail here. One report here is that General Siebert, formerly head of the gas warfare service of the army, will succeed Governor Harding. This report, however, has not been confirmed by anyone close to President-elect Harding.

NOW EAT LIGHT BREAKFASTS

English People, Since the War, Are Said to Have Abandoned Heavy Morning Meal.

The hearty breakfast which everybody in England ate for centuries has gone out of fashion, a correspondent of the New York World writes. Steaks and chops as an early morning meal, which the French regarded as a horrible British habit, disappeared some time ago. Now scarcely any one eats porridge, fish, ham and eggs and marmalade for breakfast. Both those who have leisure and those who work eat smaller breakfasts and larger luncheons.

The clubs and restaurants now provide big luncheons. Many serve a luncheon of four or five courses—soup, fish, joints, sweets and cheese—and at a comparatively moderate price. Busy men find they can work better after a light breakfast—boiled egg or a thin rasher of ham or bacon. But they satisfy their appetites fully at luncheon, giving an hour or even more to enjoy their food in comfort.

With women, too, the hearty luncheon is becoming popular. They no longer are satisfied with a cup of coffee and some buttered cakes. Girl stenographers and clerks take a substantial meal of meat and pudding. Probably they have done a good morning's work on a cup of tea and a slice of bread and butter. So they have learned to appreciate and enjoy a luncheon that sustains and upbuilds them.

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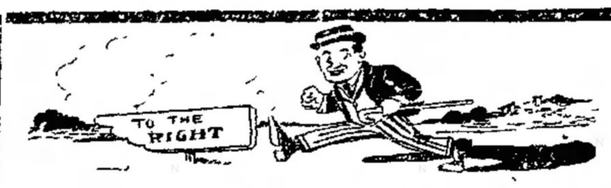

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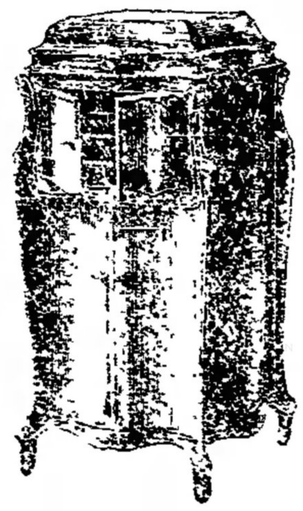

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Heavy Sentence

Harry McMillan, convicted in Uniontown of an attack upon Miss Margaret Burns operator at the Luzerne tower on the Monongahela Branch of the P R R, seven miles out of Brownsville, on the night of October 4 last, was sentenced to serve an indeterminate period of not less than four years nor more than five years, before Judge J Q Van Swearingen yesterday afternoon.

Miss Burns told the court and jury that she had relieved Miss Violet Lee another operator at midnight, she was sleeping upon a couch in the room when the man entered the room through an open window with a revolver pointed at her. Miss Burns battled with him for almost 45 minutes. She was badly beaten about the head and two teeth dislodged in the struggle. He was prevented from accomplishing his purpose. She identified McMillan by his clothing.

McMillan was arrested at the Union Station in Brownsville on October 26 by Deputy Sheriff H H Baer after he had purchased a ticket for Pittsburgh. He admitted on the stand that he served three years in the Canadian army, having been discharged for drunkenness. He said his home was in Ottawa, Canada, but that he had traveled over the greater part of the United States and had been employed in the construction work on an employment agency at Pittsburgh. He is 31 years of age.

Assistant District Attorney H W Lamb [illegible]

Sentenced to Jail

Ella Core, colored charged with conducting a disorderly house at Allenport, and also with selling liquor without license, was on Monday, on a plea of guilty, sentenced to six months in the county jail. She was fined $500 and costs in the liquor case and $1 and costs in the other case. The arrest of the Corey woman followed a shooting scrape at her home at Clipper landing in which Jack Dennis, a colored man, was shot by a woman inmate of the house. Dennis remains in a critical condition at the Memorial hospital in Monongahela. The woman who did the shooting is being held to await the outcome of the man's wounds.

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